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FOR MINISTER CROWLEY FROM ROBERT HORMATS

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TAGS: EFIN, GW

SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY HORMATS.

1. I APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS TO SET UP MEETING WITH DIETER
HISS AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING HIM ON JANUARY 11.

2. I HAD ORIGINALLY PLANNED, PRIOR TO THE XCSS MEETING, TO
GET TOGETHER ON JANUARY 12 IN PARIS WITH A SMALL GROUP OF
REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE U.K., FRANCE AND GERMANY, WHICH
THE BRITISH WERE GOING TO SET UP. HOWEVER, THE BRITISH
REPRESENTATIVE IS TRAVELING WITH CALLAHAN, AND THUS WILL BE
UNABLE TO DO SO. AS AN ALTERNATIVE, I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE
USEFUL TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF MY VISIT TO BONN TO MEET WITH
A GERMAN OFFICIAL, PERHAPS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE
(E.G. LAHNSTEIN OR HORST SCHULMANN) TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON
SOME OF THE PROBLEM COUNTRIES IN EUROPE, E.G. POLAND, TURKEY,
PORTUGAL AND PERHAPS ITALY. THIS MIGHT BE DONE ON THE
AFTERNOON OF THE 11TH. THE IDEA IS TO GET A BETTER VIEW OF
HOW GERMANY SEES ECONOMIC PROSPECTS FOR THESE COUNTRIES,
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WHAT PLANS IT HAS, IF ANY, TO PROVIDE SUPPORT, AND HOW WE
MIGHT, WHERE APPROPRIATE, COORDINATE OUR RESPONSES. WE HAVE
DONE A GOOD DEAL OF THINKING ABOUT THESE COUNTRIES WHICH I
WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO SHARE WITH THE GERMANS IN ADDITION
TO OBTAINING THEIR VIEWS.

3. BECAUSE THE MEETING IN PARIS WILL NOT, AS PLANNED, BE

HELD ON THE MORNING OF JANUARY 12, I COULD STAY OVER IN
BONN THE NIGHT OF JANUARY 11 AND LEAVE ON THE MORNING OF
THE 12TH. COULD EMBASSY PLEASE MAKE HOTEL RESERVATION.

4. PLANS STILL TO ARRIVE FRANKFURT VIA PA 66 MORNING OF
JANUARY 11. CHRISTOPHER

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